Milford Water/Wastewater Commissioners' Meeting Minutes September 27, 2016

Present: Robert E. Courage, Chairman

Michael E. Putnam, Vice-Chairman Dale A. White, Commissioner David Boucher, Director

Evelyn Gendron, Recording Secretary

Dave Bosquet, Videographer

Call to Order

Chairman Courage called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Commissioner White announced he planned to excuse himself prior to adjourning the meeting.

RSA 91-A:3, II(d) Land Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Putnam at 6:01 p.m. to enter into non-public session for the purpose of discussing land, seconded by Commissioner White, the motion unanimously passed 3/0. Upon motion by Mr. Putnam to exit the non-public session at 6:21 p.m. and return to the public meeting session, seconded by Commissioner White, the motion unanimously passed. It was announced that a decision had been made during the non-public session.

Press and Public Comments – None

Decisions/Approvals

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> – Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Putnam and seconded by Chairman Courage, it was unanimously voted 3/0 to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2016 commissioners' meeting as presented.

Water Conservation Program – Upon motion made by Vice-Chairman Putnam and seconded by Commissioner White, it was unanimously voted 3/0 to initiate a voluntary, temporary watering ban as discussed September 26th with the Board of Selectmen, and in keeping with increased water conservation recommendations as set forth by the NH DES in response to the extreme drought conditions. Mr. White stressed for the record that the new water conservation measures being announced in a formal press release on the town website, Nashua Telegraph and Cabinet are voluntary and temporary—the commissioners unanimously agreed, without a formal motion, that a new ordinance is *not* being enacted. The Milford residents are being informed of the selectmen's and commissioners' mutual position: the town officials "are asking all residents, businesses, industries and government facilities served by private wells or the municipal water system to stop using water for any outdoor purposes, with the exception of vegetable gardens and newly planted vegetation. All town owned properties and facilities will abide by this restriction." At 6:31 p.m. Commissioner White departed the meeting as previously planned.

Discussion/Information Items

<u>Ultra-Violet Disinfection Project Update</u> – Mr. Boucher apprised the commissioners that the gates for the channel have been received. The project is proceeding well and bypassed flows will be tested. An early completion date is anticipated.

<u>Activities Report</u> – Reviewed by the commissioners. A force main sewer back-up occurred today on David Drive. A replacement design will avoid a repeat disruption.

<u>Miscellaneous Water Utilities Department Projects</u> – Budgeted compost building repairs are underway. Annual flushing of approximately 500 hydrants will begin mid-October. An upgrade of the Spaulding Street 6" water line will be reviewed, and may be upgraded to a 12" water line during 2017.

Adjournment: At 6:40 p.m. Vice-Chairman Putnam made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chairman Courage. All voted in favor.

<u>Future Appointments/Meetings</u>: <u>Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.</u> The Commissioners' next meeting will be held at the Water Utilities Department, 564 Nashua Street.

Robert E. Courage, Chairman	Date	_
Michael E. Putnam, Vice-Chairman	Date	